

What is claimed is:

1. A dismountable multi-position stander comprising:
  - a carriage;
  - a body support assembly; and
  - a mounting assembly detachably mounting the body support assembly onto the carriage in a single coupling direction, the mounting assembly having upper and lower mounting elements detachably engaging with each other in the coupling direction, the lower and upper mounting elements being respectively connected to the carriage and the body support assembly.
2. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, further comprising a pivoting arrangement for adjusting an operative angle of the mounting assembly and, as a result, of the coupling direction thereof.
3. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 2, wherein the pivoting arrangement comprises:
  - a transverse pivoting arrangement between the lower mounting element and the carriage;
  - a support arm having a first end pivotally connected to the lower mounting element, and a second end; and
  - a bracket mounted onto the carriage and receiving the second end of the arm at an adjustable distance from the lower mounting element determining the operative angle of the mounting assembly.
4. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, further comprising a pivoting arrangement between the body support assembly and the upper mounting element, the body support assembly being pivotable between first and second tilt positions with respect to the carriage.

5. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, wherein the lower and upper mounting elements are the sole elements interconnecting the body support assembly and the carriage.

6. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 4, wherein the body support assembly extends substantially upright on the carriage when in said first tilt position, and extends substantially supine over the carriage when in said second tilt position.

7. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, wherein one of the lower and upper mounting elements comprises a tubular member, and the other one of the lower and upper mounting elements comprises a shaft member sliding in the tubular member, the tubular and the shaft members forming a height adjustable telescopic arrangement.

8. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 7, wherein the tubular member forms the lower mounting element and the shaft member forms the upper mounting element.

9. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 8, wherein the coupling direction extends in a substantially upright direction with respect to the carriage.

10. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 4, wherein the pivoting arrangement comprises a fork having a base member from which the upper mounting element downwardly projects, and opposite branch elements projecting from the base member and between which the body support assembly is pivotally connected.

11. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, wherein the carriage comprises two opposite side members and a transverse member extending between the side members, the lower mounting element

upwardly projecting from the transverse member at an intermediary position between the side members.

12. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 11, wherein the side members of the carriage have front and rear ends provided with casters.

13. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 11, wherein the side members have longer portions extending in front of the transverse member than respective portions extending behind the transverse member.

14. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 7, wherein the telescopic arrangement further comprises height adjustment means for locking the shaft member at a desired height inside the tubular member.

15. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 14, wherein the height adjustment means comprises alignable transverse holes in the tubular member and the shaft member, and a pin insertable through the holes when aligned.

16. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 4, wherein the pivoting arrangement comprises a dampening means for limiting a pivoting speed of the body support assembly about the upper mounting element.

17. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 4, wherein the pivoting arrangement comprises a locking means for locking the body support assembly in a fixed angular position with respect to the carriage.

18. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 17, wherein the pivoting arrangement further comprises a dampening means for limiting a pivoting speed of the body support assembly about the upper mounting element.

19. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 18, wherein the locking means and the dampening means commonly comprise a dampening cylinder connected between the body support assembly and the upper mounting element, and a control lever mounted onto the body support assembly and controlling operation of the dampening cylinder.

20. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 10, wherein:

the body support assembly comprises a rectangular bar frame having opposite side bar members pivotally connected respectively to the branch elements of the fork; and

the pivoting arrangement comprises a dampening cylinder connected between the fork and the bar frame, and a control lever mounted onto one of the side bar members and controlling operation of the dampening cylinder.

21. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, wherein the body support assembly comprises body restraining elements projecting on a front side thereof and aligned together.

22. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 21, wherein:

the body support assembly comprises a frame pivotally connected to the upper mounting element through the pivoting arrangement; and

the body restraining elements comprise chest, waist and leg belts aligned with one another and slideably mounted onto the frame.

23. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 22, wherein the body support assembly further comprises an upper headrest removably mounted onto the frame and extending in alignment with the body restraining elements.

24. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 6, wherein:

the body support assembly comprises a frame pivotally connected to the upper mounting element through the pivoting arrangement, and a foot support downwardly projecting from the frame; and

the carriage has a front opened structure through which the foot support extends when the body support assembly is in said first position.

25. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 24, wherein the foot support is slideably attached to the frame and has a height adjustment range downwardly exceeding an underside of the front opened structure of the carriage.

26. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 24, wherein the carriage comprises at least one stop element providing a stopping surface for the foot support against further pivoting of the body support assembly past said first position.

27. The dismountable multi-position stander according to claim 1, wherein the body support assembly comprises two removable armrests projecting on a front side thereof.